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TABLE 1
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN JANUARY 1985

NOTE: These labor force data are supplied by the Department of Labor from their Current Population Survey.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)	JANUARY 1985	DECEMBER 1984	NOVEMBER 1984	JANUARY 1984
Total civilian labor force[a]	12,815	12,635	12,609	12,327
Total civilian employment	11,886	11,734	11,686	11,295
Total unemployment	930	901	923	1,032
Seasonally adjusted rate (percent)	7.3	7.1	7.3	8.4
Range[b]	6.6–8.0	6.4–7.8	6.6–8.0	7.7–9.1
U.S. seasonally adjusted rate	7.4	7.2	7.1	8.0
UNADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)				
Total civilian labor force[a]	12,761	12,644	12,655	12,278
Total civilian employment	11,738	11,770	11,752	11,153
Total unemployment	1,024	874	902	1,124
Unadjusted rate (percent)	8.0	6.9	7.1	9.2
Range[b]	7.3–8.7	6.2–7.6	6.4–7.8	8.5–9.9

a/ Total labor force (and components) by place of residence and including workers involved in trade disputes. Employment includes self employed, unpaid family and domestic workers.

b/ Range as shown is at the 90 percent level of confidence.

HIGHLIGHTS California's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for January 1985 was 7.3 percent, up slightly from the 7.1 percent in December 1984, but down significantly from the 8.4 percent in January 1984. The seasonally adjusted number of people employed in California totaled 11,886,000 in January 1985, compared with 11,734,000 in December 1984 and 11,295,000 in January 1984. Seasonally adjusted unemployment totaled 930,000 in January 1985, compared with 901,000 in December 1984 and 1,032,000 in January of last year. Over the year, total seasonally adjusted employment has grown by 591,000. The national seasonally adjusted civilian unemployment rate was 7.4 percent in January 1985.

Total nonagricultural wage and salary employment declined by 134,700 from December 1984 to January 1985. The seasonally adjusted data indicates that this is less than would be expected at this time of the year. While all major industry divisions posted job declines over the month, the largest drop in employment occurred, as expected, in retail trade as the Holiday season ended. Over the year since January 1984, total nonagricultural employment has increased by 423,300 jobs which reflects a growth rate of 4.1 percent during the last twelve months. Over the year services sector added the greatest number of new jobs, 143,600, while the construction industry, with an 8.8 percent growth rate, showed the largest percentage increase. Since January 1984, all major industry divisions have posted job gains.

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TABLE 2
EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF THE WORKING-AGE POPULATION IN CALIFORNIA[1/]

(Numbers in Thousands)

EMPLOYMENT STATUS	JANUARY 1985	DECEMBER 1984	NOVEMBER 1984	JANUARY 1984
Total				
Labor Force	12,761	12,644	12,655	12,278
Employed	11,738	11,770	11,752	11,153
Unemployed	1,024	874	902	1,124
Unemployment Rate	8.0	6.9	7.1	9.2
Male, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force	6,741	6,702	6,753	6,522
Employed	6,260	6,268	6,310	5,971
Unemployed	481	434	444	550
Unemployment Rate	7.1	6.5	6.6	8.4
Female, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force	5,259	5,136	5,146	4,967
Employed	4,876	4,849	4,827	4,563
Unemployed	383	287	319	312
Unemployment Rate	7.3	5.6	6.2	6.3
Both Sexes, Age 16–19				
Labor Force	761	806	755	789
Employed	602	653	615	619
Unemployed	159	154	140	170
Unemployment Rate	20.9	19.1	18.5	21.5
White				
Labor Force	10,809	10,643	10,655	10,448
Employed	9,959	9,943	9,920	9,549
Unemployed	850	700	735	900
Unemployment Rate	7.9	6.6	6.9	8.6
Nonwhite				
Labor Force	1,952	2,055	1,999	1,829
Employed	1,779	1,827	1,833	1,605
Unemployed	174	174	168	225
Unemployment Rate	8.9	8.5	8.4	12.3

1/ Data supplied by the Department of Labor from their current population survey. No comparable data available for areas within California.

TABLE 3
EARNINGS AND HOURS[a/] OF PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING IN CALIFORNIA

Area	Average weekly earnings			Average hours per week			Average hourly earnings		
	December 1984	November 1984	December 1983	December 1984	November 1984	December 1983	December 1984	November 1984	December 1983
California	$410.18	$399.96	$395.79	41.1	40.4	41.1	$9.98	$9.90	$9.63

a/ Average hours and earnings are based upon data for full-time and part-time production and related workers in manufacturing industries. Average gross weekly and hourly earnings include overtime pay and premium wages for late-shift work. Attention is directed to the fact that these are not wage rates but are averages of gross earnings.

TABLE 4
MONTHLY WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ANALYSIS FOR JANUARY 1985
EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS OF JOBS
— DATA NOT ADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY —

INDUSTRY TITLE	CURRENT MONTH JANUARY 85	PREVIOUS MONTH DECEMBER 84	YEAR AGO JANUARY 84	NUMERICAL CHANGE		PERCENT CHANGE	
				MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR
Total Nonagricultural Employment	10,663.7	10,798.4	10,240.4	-134.7	423.3	-1.2	4.1
Mining	49.6	49.7	48.7	-0.1	0.9	-0.2	1.8
Metal Mining	1.6	1.6	1.5	0.0	0.1	0.0	6.7
Fuel Mining	41.5	41.7	40.8	-0.2	0.7	-0.5	1.7
Nonmetal Mining	6.5	6.4	6.4	0.1	0.1	1.6	1.6
Construction	441.6	447.7	406.0	-6.1	35.6	-1.4	8.8
General Building Contractors	113.7	115.8	106.0	-2.1	7.7	-1.8	7.3
Heavy Construction	58.5	60.9	58.8	-2.4	-0.3	-3.9	-0.5
Special Trade Contractors	269.4	271.0	241.2	-1.6	28.2	-0.6	11.7
Manufacturing	2,045.5	2,064.8	1,975.0	-19.3	70.5	-0.9	3.6
Nondurable Goods	625.5	638.2	621.2	-12.7	4.3	-2.0	0.7
Durable Goods	1,420.0	1,426.6	1,353.8	-6.6	66.2	-0.5	4.9
Food and Kindred	157.6	166.8	161.3	-9.2	-3.7	-5.5	-2.3
Canned, Cured, Frozen Sea Foods	6.2	6.5	8.4	-0.3	-2.2	-4.6	-26.2
Preserved Fruits and Vegetables	41.1	44.6	42.0	-3.5	-0.9	-7.8	-2.1
Other Food and Kindred Products	110.3	115.7	110.9	-5.4	-0.6	-4.7	-0.5
Textile Mill Products	13.9	14.1	14.0	-0.2	-0.1	-1.4	-0.7
Apparel and Other Textile Products	109.1	109.9	106.1	-0.8	3.0	-0.7	2.8
Paper and Allied Products	38.3	38.3	37.9	0.0	0.4	0.0	1.1
Printing and Publishing	138.8	140.3	133.1	-1.5	5.7	-1.1	4.3
Chemicals and Allied Products	64.3	64.9	63.8	-0.6	0.5	-0.9	0.8
Petroleum and Coal Products	29.0	29.1	30.8	-0.1	-1.8	-0.3	-5.8
Rubber and Misc. Plastic Products	66.6	66.8	65.4	-0.2	1.2	-0.3	1.8
Leather and Leather Products	7.9	8.0	8.8	-0.1	-0.9	-1.3	-10.2
Lumber & Wood Prod. exc. Furniture	52.0	52.1	51.2	-0.1	0.8	-0.2	1.6
Furniture and Fixtures	60.7	61.4	57.2	-0.7	3.5	-1.1	6.1
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	50.4	50.8	49.6	-0.4	0.8	-0.8	1.6
Primary Metal Industries	40.9	41.4	41.7	-0.5	-0.8	-1.2	-1.9
Fabricated Metal Products	141.7	142.6	139.1	-0.9	2.6	-0.6	1.9
Machinery except Electrical	238.5	239.5	231.7	-1.0	6.8	-0.4	2.9
Electrical Equipment and Supplies	407.6	409.6	377.6	-2.0	30.0	-0.5	7.9
Transportation Equipment	280.6	281.7	262.5	-1.1	18.1	-0.4	6.9
Motor Vehicles and Equipment	33.7	34.0	31.6	-0.3	2.1	-0.9	6.6
Aircraft and Parts	145.8	145.8	133.2	0.0	12.6	0.0	9.5
Ship & Boat Building & Repairing	16.6	16.9	19.6	-0.3	-3.0	-1.8	-15.3
Guided Miss., Space Vehicles Parts	73.2	73.8	67.6	-0.6	5.6	-0.8	8.3
Other Transportation Equipment	11.3	11.2	10.5	0.1	0.8	0.9	7.6
Instruments and Related Products	109.5	109.0	105.0	0.5	4.5	0.5	4.3
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	38.1	38.5	38.2	-0.4	-0.1	-1.0	-0.3
Transportation and Public Utilities	545.5	555.9	538.0	-10.4	7.5	-1.9	1.4
Transportation	305.1	314.6	293.1	-9.5	12.0	-3.0	4.1
Railroads	23.8	23.9	24.6	-0.1	-0.8	-0.4	-3.3
Trucking and Warehousing	122.7	130.4	115.7	-7.7	7.0	-5.9	6.1
Other Transportation	158.6	160.3	152.8	-1.7	5.8	-1.1	3.8
Communications	161.8	162.8	167.8	-1.0	-6.0	-0.6	-3.6
Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services	78.6	78.5	77.1	0.1	1.5	0.1	1.9
Wholesale Trade	656.9	660.8	617.1	-3.9	39.8	-0.6	6.4
Retail Trade	1,913.3	1,988.3	1,817.4	-75.0	95.9	-3.8	5.3
General Merchandise Stores	253.6	278.6	251.8	-25.0	1.8	-9.0	0.7
Food Stores	268.9	276.9	259.3	-8.0	9.6	-2.9	3.7
Other Retail Trade	1,390.8	1,432.8	1,306.3	-42.0	84.5	-2.9	6.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	701.8	705.6	679.4	-3.8	22.4	-0.5	3.3
Finance	349.6	351.7	339.8	-2.1	9.8	-0.6	2.9
Insurance Agents, Carriers, Brokers	187.4	188.0	184.5	-0.6	2.9	-0.3	1.6
Real Estate	147.1	148.0	138.5	-0.9	8.6	-0.6	6.2
Comb. Holding and Other Investment Co.	17.7	17.9	16.6	-0.2	1.1	-1.1	6.6
Services	2,569.4	2,582.6	2,425.8	-13.2	143.6	-0.5	5.9
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	139.0	141.5	126.1	-2.5	12.9	-1.8	10.2
Personal Services	122.6	117.6	110.1	5.0	12.5	4.3	11.4
Business Services	642.2	645.2	577.2	-3.0	65.0	-0.5	11.3
Auto and Misc. Repair Services	156.4	156.6	147.5	-0.2	8.9	-0.1	6.0
Motion Pictures	81.9	83.4	75.5	-1.5	6.4	-1.8	8.5
Amusement and Recreation Services	105.0	106.1	99.3	-1.1	5.7	-1.0	5.7
Health Services	615.9	617.1	612.4	-1.2	3.5	-0.2	0.6
Other Services	706.4	715.1	677.7	-8.7	28.7	-1.2	4.2
Government	1,740.1	1,743.0	1,733.0	-2.9	7.1	-0.2	0.4
Federal Government	333.4	334.6	326.9	-1.2	6.5	-0.4	2.0
State and Local Governments	1,406.7	1,408.4	1,406.1	-1.7	0.6	-0.1	0.0
County	221.0	219.7	215.6	1.3	5.4	0.6	2.5
City	188.8	189.0	186.1	-0.2	2.7	-0.1	1.5
Education	729.0	731.8	743.4	-2.8	-14.4	-0.4	-1.9
Education State	143.0	142.8	141.2	0.2	1.8	0.1	1.3
Education Local	586.0	589.0	602.2	-3.0	-16.2	-0.5	-2.7
Other State and Local	267.9	267.9	261.0	0.0	6.9	0.0	2.6
Other State	174.9	174.9	170.4	0.0	4.5	0.0	2.6
Special District	93.0	93.0	90.6	0.0	2.4	0.0	2.6
Total Agriculture	283.9	301.5	283.0	-17.6	0.9	-5.8	0.3

SOURCE: Employment Development Department, Employment Data and Research Division
NOTE: Current month's data are preliminary.

TABLE 5
MONTHLY LABOR FORCE DATA FOR COUNTIES
JANUARY 1985

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
			NUMBER	PERCENT*
STATE TOTAL	12,761,400	11,737,800	1,023,600	8.0
Alameda	583,400	540,925	42,475	7.3
Alpine	1,125	1,075	50	3.7
Amador	7,925	7,000	925	11.7
Butte	67,150	58,925	8,225	12.3
Calaveras	8,275	6,975	1,300	15.7
Colusa	7,475	5,800	1,675	22.4
Contra Costa	345,450	322,100	23,350	6.8
Del Norte	6,850	5,650	1,200	17.6
El Dorado	46,900	42,700	4,200	9.0
Fresno	290,600	248,200	42,400	14.6
Glenn	10,650	8,975	1,675	15.7
Humboldt	48,875	42,550	6,325	12.9
Imperial	45,200	31,150	14,050	31.1
Inyo	10,750	9,900	850	7.9
Kern	216,200	190,700	25,500	11.8
Kings	30,250	25,625	4,625	15.3
Lake	15,675	13,250	2,425	15.5
Lassen	8,975	7,475	1,500	16.7
Los Angeles	3,981,000	3,664,000	317,000	8.0
Madera	33,350	28,950	4,400	13.2
Marin	125,250	119,750	5,500	4.4
Mariposa	4,450	3,850	600	13.4
Mendocino	32,325	27,625	4,700	14.5
Merced	67,650	56,400	11,250	16.6
Modoc	4,575	3,950	625	13.8
Mono	5,350	5,050	300	5.7
Monterey	145,700	124,500	21,200	14.6
Napa	40,875	37,275	3,600	8.8
Nevada	24,150	21,450	2,700	11.2
Orange	1,317,100	1,260,900	56,200	4.3
Placer	63,000	57,300	5,700	9.0
Plumas	7,750	6,050	1,700	21.9
Riverside	293,000	268,200	24,800	8.5
Sacramento	410,500	377,100	33,400	8.1
San Benito	11,900	9,325	2,575	21.7
San Bernardino	392,900	362,300	30,600	7.8
San Diego	890,100	835,600	54,500	6.1
San Francisco	396,275	370,775	25,500	6.4
San Joaquin	173,600	146,700	26,900	15.5
San Luis Obispo	81,000	75,950	5,050	6.2
San Mateo	329,825	316,475	13,350	4.0
Santa Barbara	169,900	159,000	10,900	6.4
Santa Clara	891,600	846,200	45,400	5.1
Santa Cruz	100,400	88,800	11,600	11.6
Shasta	54,675	45,550	9,125	16.7
Sierra	1,075	825	250	24.0
Siskiyou	16,975	13,050	3,925	23.2
Solano	103,500	93,800	9,700	9.4
Sonoma	159,300	147,300	12,000	7.5
Stanislaus	134,900	111,300	23,600	17.5
Sutter	23,425	18,300	5,125	21.8
Tehama	16,150	13,550	2,600	16.1
Trinity	5,525	4,275	1,250	22.5
Tulare	130,300	112,150	18,150	13.9
Tuolumne	15,200	12,725	2,475	16.3
Ventura	273,800	252,500	21,300	7.8
Yolo	61,000	53,200	7,800	12.9
Yuba	20,500	16,875	3,625	17.7

*NOTE: Census ratios used in deriving these estimates are from the 1980 Census. Unemployment rate is based on unrounded data. Data not seasonally adjusted.